## H. CON. RES. 137

Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Safety in Numbers Month.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 3, 2003

Mr. Hoekstra submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Safety in Numbers Month.

- Whereas first responders around the Nation recognize the importance of easily readable and highly visible address numbers in eliminating extra time spent finding an emergency destination;
- Whereas each year needless loss of lives and property occurs because emergency personnel are slowed down as a result of poorly-marked address numbers;
- Whereas address numbers should be plainly visible from road traffic lanes in either direction of approach;
- Whereas in an emergency a well-marked address may be the difference between life-saving emergency response and tragedy;

- Whereas the designation of April as Safety in Numbers Month by the former Governor of Michigan, John Engler, was successful in raising awareness of this important issue in Michigan;
- Whereas the public awareness campaign Safety in Numbers was started as a grass roots movement by a volunteer fire fighter in Cadillac, Michigan, 5 years ago;
- Whereas this public awareness campaign has gained enthusiastic support from law enforcement, emergency service personnel, fire fighters, health care professionals, local and State governments, private businesses, and media from around the Nation; and
- Whereas United States congressional recognition of a National Safety in Numbers Month for the month of April would help to educate the people of the United States on the importance of ensuring that their street address is clearly marked: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
  - 2 concurring), That the Congress supports the goals and
  - 3 ideals of a National Safety in Numbers Month.

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